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2012/13 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER FISHERY ANNOUNCMENT

Sitka.... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the commercial harvest of sea cucumbers in Southeast Alaska during the 2012/13 season:

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday, October 22, 2012:

District 13:

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait – (Subdistricts 113-62, 63, 64, 65, and 66).

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Monday, October 22, 2012:

District 12:

Eastern portion of Tenakee Inlet – (Subdistricts 112-41, 42).

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday, October 22, 2012:

District 6:

Snow Pass – (Subdistrict 106-30).

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 22, and from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, October 23, 2012:

District 2:

Kasaan Bay and Skowl Arm – (Subdistrict 102-60).

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 22, and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 23, 2012:

District 1:

Tree Point – (Subdistricts 101-10, 11);

West Behm Canal – (Subdistricts 101-90 and 101-95);

District 2:

Lower Clarence Strait – (Subdistrict 102-20);

Cleveland Peninsula – (Subdistrict 102-80);

District 3:

Long Island and upper Cordova Bay – (Subdistricts 103-21 and 30);

Hetta Inlet, Nutkwa Inlet, and Keete Inlet – (Subdistricts 103-23 and 25);

San Christoval Channel, western San Alberto Bay, and Trocadero Bay – (Subdistricts 103-60 and 103-70-002);

Districts 5 and 9:

Port Camden – (Subdistricts 109-43 and 105-32);

District 12:

Chatham Strait and Kelp Bay – (Subdistricts 112-11, 21, and 22);

Western portion of Tenakee Inlet – (Subdistricts 112-43, 44, 45, 46, 47, and 48).

For a description of the above areas please refer to the September 14, 2012, sea cucumber fishery news release announcing the open areas and their GHL's. The next news release following this opening will be available on the afternoon of **Thursday, October 25, 2012**.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M2412.

2012-2013 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery									
	Statistical Area(s) GHL		Harvest to	Remaining GHL 63,921					
Area Description			Date (lbs)						
Tree Point	101-10,11	01-10,11 150,100							
Percy Islands	101-25	90,600	108,034	CLOSED					
West Behm	101-90,95	85,100	43,275	41,825					
Clarence Strait	102-20	45,700	-	45,700					
Kasaan Bay/Skowl Arm	102-60	382,000	287,967	94,033					
Cleveland Pennisula	102-80	24,300	-	24,300					
Long Is./Cordova Bay	103-21,30	48,300	-	48,300					
Hetta/Nutkwa Inlet	103-23,25	155,000	***	***					
San Christoval/Trocadero	103-60,70-002	61,500	28,856	32,644					
Snow Pass	106-30	189,900	165,877	24,023					
Port Camden	109-43,105-32	14,900	***	***					
Chatham/Kelp Bay	112-11,21,22	69,600	27,326	42,274					
E. Tenakee Inlet	112-41,42	35,700	31,231	4,469					
W. Tenakee Inlet	112,43-48	68,300	44,465	23,835					
Salisbury/Peril Strait	113-62-66	55,000	51,131	3,869					
Totals		1,476,000	880,134	595,866					

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